

**ANNUAL
REPORTS**

**TOWN OF
CHESTER**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31
1945

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OF THE
TOWN OF CHESTER
NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Walter P. Tenney

TOWN CLERK

Robert C. Hazelton

SELECTMEN

Preston E. Goodrich

Austin C. Hunt

Philip G. Hazelton

OVERSEER OF POOR

Philip G. Hazelton

TOWN TREASURER

Leroy D. Morse

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Roland A. Nichols

SCHOOL BOARD

George W. Kimball

Mabel R. Finnigan

Ella A. Allen

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Carrie A. Richardson

REPRESENTATIVE

Edwin P. Jones

POLICE OFFICER

Edward E. Griffin, Chief

John A. West, Special

George Pettigrew, Special and Dog Officer

ROAD AGENT

Charles H. Smith

HEALTH OFFICER

Preston E. Goodrich

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Arthur West

Carroll Backmann

Edward E. Griffin

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Dr. James S. Roberts

Walter P. Tenney

Mildred F. Hunt

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ella Allen

Blanche Jones

Maurice Colman

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Walton Leighton

Harry Edwards

George W. Kimball

GREAT HILL CEMETERY TRUSTEES

William Wason

Austin C. Hunt

Maurice Colman

Byron Mills

Charles Morse

TRUSTEES OF WILCOMB-TOWNSEND HOME

Ella A. Allen

Myrtle Tenney

George Gillingham

Farish Lewis

Byron Mills

TOWN AUDITORS

George W. Kimball

Alvah Healey

Herbert Ray

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Wilbur Hunt

FIRE CHIEF

Victor B. Spollett

CUSTODIAN OF HALLS

Edward E. Griffin

IN MEMORY OF LEROY D. MORSE

We, the people of Chester, deeply regret the passing of Leroy D. Morse. Mr. Morse was one who merited the highest respect and confidence of all who knew him. He was always interested in any matter that was for the best interest of his native town, Chester.

He gave of his time and effort without stint in the fulfillment of his duties.

Mr. Morse had served Chester as Selectman, Representative to the Legislature, Treasurer for twenty years and many other minor offices.

In Mr. Morse's death Chester has lost one of its most respected citizens and a faithful public servant.

Selectmen of Chester.

BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU TO
TOWN MEETING.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:—

(L. S.)

You are hereby notified to meet at Stevens Memorial Hall, in said Chester on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
3. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for the improvement of highways in accordance with the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1905 and pass any vote relating thereto.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$573.83 for class 5 roads, the State to contribute \$2,295.30.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the Town Poor and Old Age Assistance.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses of the Chester Free Public Library.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Street Lights.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the general expenses of the Fire Department.

11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

12. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell any property acquired by the Town through Tax Collector's deeds.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for extermination of Moths and Pruning Trees.

14. To see if the Town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the eradication of Pine Blister Rust as required by the State Forestry Department in keeping with Section 9, Chapter 228 of the Public Laws.

16. To see if the Town will vote to acquire the land now owned by the Baptist Church.

17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase additional equipment for removal of snow and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

18. To see if the Town will appropriate from the Post War Fund an amount necessary to re-construct the bridge on Maple Road providing the State Highway Department will share a part of the expense.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one one-hundredth of one per cent (1-100 of 1%) of the assessed valuation based on the assessment of 1945 for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the town, together with other towns in the Merrimack Valley Region Association.

20. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Given under our hands and seal this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-six.

Preston E. Goodrich
Austin C. Hunt
Philip G. Hazelton
Selectmen of Chester, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Preston E. Goodrich
Austin C. Hunt
Philip G. Hazelton
Selectmen of Chester, N. H.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF
Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1,

SOURCES OF REVENUE:	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1945	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1946
From State:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	974.76	700.00
Railroad Tax	23.90	20.00
Savings Bank Tax	145.54	75.00
For Fighting Forest Fires	11.70	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Rent of Town Hall and Other		
Buildings	204.00	100.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	89.75	50.00
Income of Departments:		
Highway, including rental of equipment	65.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	672.92	600.00
Cash Surplus	5,652.49	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:		
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	590.00	500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	14.55	14.55

CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

January 1, 1946 to December 31, 1946 Compared with Actual
1945 to December 31, 1945.

	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Year 1945	Estimated Expendi- tures Ensuing Year 1946
PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES:		
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	844.75	1,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	548.66	500.00
Election and Registration Expenses	50.80	250.00
Expenses Town Hall and other Town buildings	915.17	600.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	44.43	60.00
Fire Department	493.78	500.00
Moth Extermination—Blister Rust	604.52	650.00
Health:		
Health Department	25.00	35.00
Vital Statistics	11.50	15.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance:		
Summer	1,996.25	2,500.00
Town Maintenance:		
Winter	2,575.35	2,000.00
Street Lighting	1,540.08	1,540.08
General Expenses of Highway Department	603.71	600.00
Town Road Aid	523.57	573.83
Libraries:	245.00	225.00

BUDGET (continued.)

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Public Welfare:

Town Poor	539.67	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	563.88	600.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	52.45	50.00
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Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, including band concerts	18.00	50.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	109.95	125.00
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Unclassified :

Advertising and Regional Associations		60.00
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Interest:

On Principal of Trust Funds		
Used by Town	91.37	91.37

Indebtedness:

Payment on Principal of Debt:

Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	1,200.00	
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Payments to other Governmental

Divisions:

County Taxes	2,676.92	
Payments to School Districts	7,429.29	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1945

Valuation April 1st, 1945.

Lands and Buildings	601,930.00
Growing Wood and Lumber	27,890.00
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	629,820.00
Electric Plants	19,898.00
Horses, 37	3,375.00
Cows, 274	30,845.00
Other neat stock, 28	2,430.00
Sheep and goats, 11	88.00
Fowls, 19,821	19,621.00
Fur-Bearing Animals, 12	300.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	36,005.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 13	1,725.00
Stock in Trade	10,050.00
Mills and Machinery	6,300.00
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	130,637.00
Total Valuation	760,457.00
Less Soldiers' Exemption	15,100.00
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	745,357.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Voted to raise and appropriate:

Town Officers' Salaries	900.00
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00
Election and Registration Expenses	100.00
Town Hall	600.00
Police Department	85.00
Fire Department	500.00
Moth Extermination	500.00
Health Department	50.00

Vital Statistics	10.00
Town Road Aid	523.57
Town Maintenance	3,500.00
Street Lighting	1,540.00
General Expense of Highway Department	500.00
Libraries	245.00
Old Age Assistance	600.00
Town Poor	200.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Cemeteries	75.00
Damages and Legal Expense	20.00
Interest	115.00
County Tax	2,676.92
School Tax	8,571.49
Post War Appropriation	1,200.00
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	\$23,061.98
Net amount to be raised	21,557.42
Poll taxes and bank stock	669.00
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Total amount raised by taxation	20,888.42
Total rate on one hundred dollars	2.80

Financial Statement of the Town for the
year ending December 31, 1945

1945 Tax Levy (Uncollected)	2,449.91
1944 Unredeemed Taxes	211.44
1943 Unredeemed Taxes	16.93
Post War Appropriation	1,200.00
Cash in hands of Treasurer	8,571.83
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	12,450.11
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	7,023.49

LIABILITIES

Cemetery and Library Notes

Sarah U. Lane	200.00
John West	50.00
John W. West 2nd.	50.00
Page Reed Smith	80.00
Sally Lovering Sleeper	40.00
Joseph Dane	50.00
Mary E. Bean	50.00
Charles H. Green	100.00
Samuel Warren	50.00
Mark Sanborn	50.00
Herbert W. Robie	50.00
George W. Stevens, Library	339.80

1,109.80

GREAT HILL CEMETERY NOTES

William White	75.00
Edmund Sleeper	45.00
Hannah Williams	50.00
Sarah A. True	75.00
Henry Moore	60.00
Samuel Parker	40.00
Lot Knowles	50.00
Charles H. Knowles	50.00
Charles Stevens	60.00
Oren F. Page	40.00
Hills Stevens	50.00
David Lane	70.00
Caroline M. Hall	50.00
Parker Morse	50.00
George Marden	50.00
James W. Gordon	50.00
James H. Hardy	50.00
George West	50.00
George H. Jack	60.00

Amos Hazelton	75.00
Ephraim Orcutt	50.00
Augustus Morse	50.00
Charles F. True	50.00
French Heath	50.00
Mary Merrill	25.00
Hannah M. Sawyer	50.00
James DeLeskey	75.00
W. F. Warren	50.00
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	1,500.00

Liabilities

Notes due Trustees of Trust Funds	2,609.80
Due School district, including dog tax	2,816.82
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	5,426.62

PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries	844.72
Town Officers' Expenses and Auto Permits	548.66
Election and Registration	50.80
Care of Town Clock (2 years)	26.25
Town Hall	915.17
Police Department	44.43
Fire Department and Forest Fires	493.78
Moth Extermination	604.52
Bounties	7.50
Damage by Dogs	37.80
Health Department	25.00
Vital Statistics	11.50
Town Road Aid	523.57
Town Maintenance (withholding tax included)	4,572.10
Street Lighting	1,540.08

General expenses of Highway	603.71
Libraries	245.00
Old age assistance	563.88
Town poor	539.67
Taxes on C. H. Webster estate	36.00
Memorial Day	52.45
Pruning Trees	296.00
Parks and Playgrounds	18.00
Cemeteries	109.95
Post War Fund	1,200.00
Taxes bought by town	214.24
Discounts	412.66
Wrong Tax	162.14
Special Poll Tax	876.15
County Tax	2,676.92
School Money	7,429.29
Interest	91.37
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	\$25,773.32

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

There were 116 Dog Licenses issued during the year.
The Clerk received \$316.83.

Dog Tags cost \$8.05, Postage \$1.82. The Treasurer was paid \$283.76 and the Clerk retained \$23.20 in fees.

During the year Automobile Town Taxes totaled \$688.84 which was paid to the Treasurer monthly.

R. C. Hazelton

Town Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT

of the Town of Chester, N. H., for the year ending
December 31, 1945.

Receipts

Cash balance from last year	9,139.12
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Tax Collector:

Property tax, 1944	2,219.86	
Poll tax @ \$2, 1944	72.00	
Poll tax @ \$3, 1944	117.00	
Property tax, 1942, redeemed	63.90	
Property tax, 1943, redeemed	68.26	
Property tax, 1945	18,647.81	
Poll tax @ \$2, 1945	590.00	
Poll tax @ \$3, 1945	942.00	
Interest, 1944 tax	67.25	
Interest, 1943 tax	7.98	
Interest, 1942 tax	113.18	
Interest, 1945 tax	1.34	
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		22,810.58

Town Clerk:

Auto taxes	672.92	
Filing Fees	6.00	
Dog tax	283.13	
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		962.05

State Treasurer:

Bounty on hedge hogs	8.50	
Forest fires	11.70	
Use of Tractor	39.00	
Savings bank tax	145.54	
Railroad tax	23.90	
Interest and dividends tax	974.76	
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		1,203.40

Selectmen:

Sale of steering wheel from grader	3.50
Walter W. Lane, tractor, plowing snow	4.00

Hayford Kimball, tractor, plowing snow	13.50	
George Anderson, tractor, plowing snow	5.00	
		26.00
Edward E. Griffin, janitor of Halls, 1944 and 1945		204.00
		<hr/> 34,345.15
Expenditures		
Paid Selectmen's orders Nos. 645 - 827		25,773.32
Cash in First National Bank, Derry, N. H.		8,371.00
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1945		200.83
		<hr/> \$34,345.15
Leroy D. Morse		
Treasurer.		

AUDITORS' REPORT

Chester, N. H., January 17, 1946

This is to certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Town and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

George W. Kimball

Alvah G. Healey

Herbert W. Ray

Auditors.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail No. 1

Town Officers' Salaries

Preston E. Goodrich, Selectman	175.00
Austin C. Hunt, Selectman	165.00
Philip G. Hazelton, Selectman	150.00
Leroy D. Morse, Treasurer	50.00
Roland A. Nichols, Tax Collector	224.73
Robert C. Hazelton, Town Clerk	50.00
Robert C. Hazelton, Auto Permits	81.75
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	896.48

Detail No. 2

Town Officers' Expenses

Preston E. Goodrich, Selectman	25.00
Austin C. Hunt, Selectman	25.00
Philip G. Hazelton, Selectman	25.00
Leroy D. Morse, Treasurer	35.00
Roland A. Nichols, Tax Collector	
postage	20.00
Mildred F. Hunt, Treasurer of Trust	
Funds	15.00
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	145.00

Detail No. 2B

Austin C. Hunt, perambulating	
Town line	13.00
Philip G. Hazelton, perambulating	
Town line	10.00
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	23.00

Detail No. 2C

Association of N. H. Assessors, dues	4.00
Ladies' Social Circle, dinners	10.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., town warrants	.65

Byron D. Mills, auditing	5.00
Alvan Healey, auditing	5.00
George W. Kimball, auditing	5.00
News-Enterprise Press, printing Town Reports, etc.	146.00
Curtis Insurance Agency, Officers' Bonds	65.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., office supplies	9.03
The First National Bank, rental of deposit box	2.40
Mildred F. Hunt, copying records	20.00
News-Enterprise Press, printing tax bills	11.00
Ruth H. Avery, dues tax collectors association	2.00
Edson C. Eastman, Town Treasurer, blank reports	1.09
John W. A. Greene, copying property transfers	11.80
Preston E. Goodrich, Misc. supplies	15.94
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	313.91

Detail No. 3
Election and Registration

Edward E. Griffin, Supervisor of checklist	8.60
Carroll E. Backmann, Supervisor of checklist	8.60
Arthur West, Supervisor of checklist	8.60
Leon G. Simonds, Ballot clerk	5.00
Bernard M. Sanborn, Ballot clerk	5.00
Walter P. Tenney, Moderator	5.00

Byron D. Mills, Ballot clerk	5.00
John A. Weeks, Ballot clerk	5.00

50.80

Detail No. 4

Stevens Memorial Hall

The Derry Electric Co., lighting service	41.86
Chester Telephone Co., telephone	21.66
Edward E. Griffin, snow removal, etc.	4.20
Edward E. Griffin, janitor service	150.00
William B. Wason, three cords slabs	24.00
Earl M. Hazelton, sawing and housing wood	17.00
J. J. Moreau, sweeping compound	4.95
S. Harris, fire extinguishers	163.40
Charles W. Varney, Co., insurance	150.00
Philip G. Hazelton, insurance	50.00
Hayford Kimball, 8 cords wood	114.00
Earl M. Hazelton, sawing and housing wood	17.50
Philip G. Hazelton, insurance	100.00
Edward E. Griffin, janitor service and supplies	52.20
Holland Furnace Co., cleaning furnaces	20.00

930.77

Detail No. 5

Police Department — Damage by Dogs

George Pettigrew, Police and Dog Officers	45.80
Edward E. Griffin, Chief of Police	32.70

78.50

Detail No. 6

Fire Department — Forest Fire Accounts

Telephone service	19.33
Lights	10.28
Holms & Wheeler, coal	14.47
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co.	196.00
Victor B. Spollett, Pyro and Oil	4.60
Philip G. Hazelton, insurance	10.00
Curtis Insurance Agency, fire and liability insurance	71.10
Raymond Fire Department, forest fire expense	14.40
Victor B. Spollett, expense account	11.00
Aubrey Robinson, insurance on firemen	30.00
Preston E. Goodrich, fuel	1.50
R. C. Hazelton Co., labor, parts, battery, etc.	12.75
Blanchard Asso., Inc., search light batteries	36.62
Victor B. Spollett, Misc. account	32.03
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	464.08

Detail No. 7

Health Department and Vital Statistics

Preston E. Goodrich, Health officer and expense	25.00
Robert C. Hazelton, vital statistics	11.50
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	36.50

Detail No. 8

Old age assistance, Town's share	563.88
Special assistance case	539.67
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	1,103.55

Detail No. 9

Street lights	1,540.08
Care of Town clock (2 years)	26.25
	<hr/> 1,566.33

Detail No. 10

Bounties on 15 Hedge hogs	7.50
Pruning trees	296.00
Interest on cemetery notes	91.37
Taxes bought by town	214.24
Discounts	412.66
Wrong tax	162.14
Parks and play grounds	18.00
Post War Fund Appro. (Paid to Trustees of Trust Funds)	1,200.00
	<hr/> 2,401.91

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Charles H. Smith

Town Roads

Beairsto, George, gasoline and oil	7.89
Clement, Felix, gasoline and oil	84.71
Church, Muriel, gravel	2.70
Edwards, Harry, labor	5.70
Estes, Harry, with tractor, labor	135.60
Fortier, Herman, and truck, with tractor	52.00
Grant, F. F., labor	2.40
Gulf Oil Corp., oil	6.15
Haggett, Frances, labor	24.00
Healey, Bert, and truck	2.00
Hunt, Wilbur, 5 spark plugs and labor	11.00
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, cement	1.60

Preston, W. H., with tractor	2.80
Smith, Charles H., foreman	124.80
Sears-Roebuck & Co., battery	6.45
Towle and Eustis, work on grader	1.65
Towle, Philip, labor	7.20
Towle, James, and truck, with tractor	83.90
Towle, James Jr., labor	12.00
Wells, Wilson S., gasoline and oil	69.15
Weston Auto, grease	.75
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	644.45

SNOW

Abbott, Chester, with tractor	95.60
Barnes, Gene, shoveling	3.00
Buxton, Elliott, shoveling	33.00
Beairsto, George, gasoline	3.20
Clement, Felix, gasoline and oil	55.56
Drewett, Bob, shoveling	8.40
English, Merton, shoveling	6.00
Eustis, James, with tractor	90.40
Eustic, James, with tractor	90.40
Edwards, Harry, shoveling	18.30
Foster, Bert, shoveling	1.80
Fortier, Herman, and truck, plowing snow, sanding	896.80
Griffin, Edward, labor	1.00
Haggett, Frances, with tractor, shoveling	98.20
Hall, William, labor	5.40
Hazelton, John, shoveling	30.00
Hunt, Howard C., shoveling	23.25
Judy's Lunch, gasoline and oil	4.96
Kimball, Richard, shoveling	32.10
Lewis, Harold, with tractor	11.20
Lessard, Paul, shoveling	3.00

Langille, Earl, shoveling	1.80
MacDonald, Philip, shoveling	5.40
Monish, A. R., gasoline	3.23
MacFarland, Harry, shoveling	4.20
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, alcohol	.95
Nichols, Roland, with tractor	12.00
Ohlson, M., shoveling	3.00
Page, Donald, shoveling	36.00
Rand, L. P., gasoline	11.97
Smith, Charles C., foreman	74.40
Towle, James, with truck, tractor	145.70
Towle, James Jr., shoveling	36.00
Towle, Philip, shoveling	9.60
Totman, Glenn, shoveling	3.00
Towle, Chester, work on tractor, sanding with tractor	61.04
Weeks, John, shoveling	1.80
West, John, shoveling	14.10
Wells, Wilson S., gasoline and oil	69.60
Warren, Bert, tractor and truck	29.25
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	1,946.64

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT, 1945
WILCOMB TOWNSEND HOME

Treasurer Bond	5.00
Curtis Ins. Co.	21.25
F. G. Lewis, care of property	50.00
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	76.25

	Revenue	
Balance 1945		461.05
Rent Townsend place		110.00
March Anaconda Div.		.50
June Anaconda Div.		.50

September Anaconda Div.	.50
Balance from estate of Mrs. Sarah Prescott from F. G. Lewis, executor	62.03
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	634.58
Revenue	634.58
Expenditures	76.25
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	558.33
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds	442.40
Expenditures	76.25
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Returned to Trustees of Trust Funds	366.15

AUDITORS' REPORT

Chester, N. H., January 17, 1946

This is to certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

George W. Kimball

Alvah G. Healey

Herbert Ray

Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Receipts

Cash on hand 1945	92.03
Received from Town	245.00
Received from J. C. Chase Fund	55.20
Received from Geo. Stevens Fund	11.89
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	404.12

Expenditures

Laura C. Colman	30.00
Blanche C. Jones	90.00
Curtis Insurance Co.	25.00
Mildred Robie, magazines	27.40
Goodman's Book Store	92.00

264.40

Cash to balance 139.72

404.12

GREAT HILL CEMETERY

Financial Statement

Perpetual care	476.04
Bank accounts	305.23
Total	781.27

Trustees of Great Hill Cemetery

ACCOUNT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Amos T. French, Cemetery Land

January 1, 1945 Balance on hand:

In Savings Bank	401.24
In National Bank	297.72
Received interest in Savings Bank	9.87

708.83

Expenditures

Purchase of one half lot	12.00
Earle M. Hazelton, labor	20.00
December 31, 1945:	
Balance in Savings Bank	389.24

Balance in National Bank	187.59
Balance in National Savings Bank Account	100.00
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	708.83

George W. Kimball
Harry C. Edwards
Walton E. Leighton
Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Books added to the library in 1945	128
Purchased with town money	78
Purchased with fines	1
Given	50
Books lost	1
Number of books taken out during the year	3589
Largest number any one day—June 20	86
Smallest number—October 31	6
Number of fiction read in 1945	3579
Number of non-fiction	459
Number of new cards issued	26
Dr.	
Money received in fines	33.74
Cr.	
Expended for assistant book, magazines and needed supplies	28.75
Cash on hand	4.99
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	33.74

Books and magazines have been given to the Library by Mrs. A. T. French, Mrs. G. H. Learnard, Mrs. Edith Tappan, Mrs. E. M. Allen, Miss Hooper, Mrs. Charles Hodges, Miss Marion Webster, Mrs. Harry Wetherbee,

Rev. Chester J. Wilcomb, Miss Nancy Rand, Mrs. William Hall.

A set of andirons, screen, tongs and shovel have been loaned to the library, for the fire place, by Rev. Chester J. Wilcomb.

Mrs. C. N. Greenough of Belmont, Mass., has given to the Library two volumes of the life and acts of Chester N. Greenough.

The library subscribed in 1945 to the American, Better Homes and Gardens, Colliers, Country Gentleman, Hygeia, Ladies Home Journal, Life and Health, McCalls, National Geographic, Nature, Readers Digest, Wee Wisdom, and The Woman's Home Companion.

The number of Catalogued books is 6311

All gifts are gratefully acknowledged.

Blanche C. Jones
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER ON DECEMBER 31, 1945.

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS— PURPOSE OF CREATION	HOW INVESTED						Income During Year	Expended During Year.	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year.	
			Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on Hand at Begin- ning of Year.						
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS											
May 3, 1904	Johr W. Noyes by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	300.00	2		6.03	5.00	1.03			
Feb. 16, 1915	Jonathan Pressey by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	45.00	2		.90	.90				
Mar. 15, 1906	William W. White by will	Town Note	75.00	3½	1.06	2.63	1.50	2.19			
Dec. 23, 1908	Luther W. Hall by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.38	2.01	2.00	.39			
Dec. 24, 1908	Edmund Sleeper by Heirs	Town Note	45.00	3½	.09	1.53	1.00	.67			
June 17, 1909	Hannah M. William by same	Town Note	50.00	3½	.50	1.75	2.00	.25			
Feb. 10, 1910	George W. Stevens by same	Amoskeag Savings Bank	339.80	2	1.36	6.85	7.00	1.21			
Aug. 23, 1910	Sarah A. True	Town Note	75.00	3½	.81	2.63	1.90	1.54			
Aug. 23, 1910	Henry Moore by Emma M. Moore	Town Note	60.00	3½		2.10	2.00	.10			
July 7, 1911	Samuel S. Parker by same	Town Note	40.00	3½		1.40	.90	.50			
Oct. 3, 1911	Charles A. Dearborn by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01			
Oct. 11, 1911	Rev. Charles Tenney by Mary E. Tenney	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.50	.51			
June 3, 1912	Lot Knowles by Heirs	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.00	.75			
Oct. 31, 1914	Cynthia J. Brown by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2		1.00	.90	.10			
Aug. 30, 1916	John Hazelton by Susan Hazelton	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.50	.51			
Nov. 25, 1916	Charles H. Knowles by same	Town Note	50.00	3½	.05	1.75	1.50	.30			

Feb. 16, 1916	Charles Stevens by will	Town Note	60.00	3½	.10	2.10	1.50	.70
Aug. 25, 1917	Oren F. Page by Mary A. Byard	Town Note	40.00	3½	.15	1.40	1.05	.50
Sept. 23, 1917	Ellis Stevens, by Lydia A. Newell	Town Note	50.00	3½	.10	1.75	1.25	.60
Nov. 1, 1917	David Lane by Sarah E. Lane	Town Note	70.00	3½	.05	2.45	2.50	.50
June 30, 1918	Caroline M. Hall by will	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.25	.50
June 30, 1918	George L. Converse by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2		1.00	1.00	
Mar. 26, 1919	Parker Morse by Clarence O. Morse	Town Note	50.00	3½	.45	1.75	1.50	.70
Mar. 26, 1919	George Marden by Clarence O. Morse	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.00	.75
Oct. 1, 1924	James W. Gordon by will	Town Note	50.00	3½	.55	1.75	2.00	.30
Oct. 28, 1924	James H. Hardy by Abbie Hardy	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.25	.50
Mar. 20, 1925	Lydia J. Ramsey by same by Kate V. Colby	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.75	.26
Sept. 25, 1925	George S. West by Gertrude J. West	Town Note	50.00	2		1.75	1.50	.25
Jan. 23, 1926	Mills & Wilson by Frank M. Mills per Martin Mills	Amoskeag Savings Bank	250.00	2	6.33	5.14	5.50	5.97
Oct. 5, 1926	Helen F. Soule by same	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	1.30	2.03	1.00	2.33
April 6, 1928	George Herman Jack by Jessie Stevens Jack	Town Note	60.00	3½	.55	2.10	2.00	.65
June 5, 1928	Amos Hazelton by Elizabeth S. Hook	Town Note	75.00	3½	1.50	2.63	2.00	2.13
June 5, 1928	James & J. Albert Hook by Elizabeth S. Hook	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.25	.76
June 5, 1925	Ephraim Orcutt by Elizabeth S. Hook	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.50	.25
Jan. 2, 1929	Augustus P. Morse by Augustus P. Morse	Town Note	50.00	3½	.25	1.75	1.00	1.00
Dec. 31, 1929	Charles F. True by will per Sarah J. True	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	.75	1.00

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CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS								
Jan. 5, 1931	French - Heath by Jennie C. Heath	Town Note	50.00	3½	.25	1.75	1.50	.50
Jan. 1, 1929	Mary E. Merrill by same	Town Note	25.00	3½	.11	.88	.75	.24
May 30, 1930	Arthur L. Morse and Harry Roberts by same	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01
April 27, 1931	George A. Hosley by Emma Hosley	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2		4.02	4.00	.02
Mar. 12, 1929	John C. Chase by same	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	2	1.15	4.04	2.06	3.19
May 1, 1920	Village Cemetery by Clarence O. Morse	U. S. Savings Bond	1,000.00	3½ & 2½	1.20	25.14	20.50	5.84
May 25, 1918	Albert Knippee by will	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	1.18	2.50	2.00	1.68
June 29, 1918	Sarah U. Lane by will	Town Note	200.00	3½	28.60	7.00	4.50	31.10
April 15, 1919	John West by Sarah F. Robinson	Town Note	50.00	3½	.05	1.75	1.40	.40
April 15, 1919	Joseph Knowles	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	1.26	2.50	2.50	1.26
April 15, 1919	Robert and Rebecca Knowles	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	1.56	2.50	2.00	2.06
Jan. 31, 1920	John W. West 2nd by will	Town Note	50.00	3½	.30	1.75	1.55	.50
Jan. 31, 1920	Elizabeth I. Kent by will	Town Note	100.00	2½	.18	2.50	2.68	
April 30, 1921	Page Reed Smith by Josephine Lovering	U. S. Savings Bond	80.00	3½	1.90	2.80	2.00	2.70

April 30, 1921	Sally Lovering Sleeper	Town Note	40.00	3½	15	1.40	1.05	.50
June 28, 1921	Joseph Dane by Nellie E. Dane	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.25	.50
Nov. 26, 1921	Mary E. Bean by will	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.15	.60
May 27, 1922	John S. Emery by Richard S. Emery	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	.57	2.50	2.00	1.04
Sept. 30, 1922	George Wells by Carrie L. Warren	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	.30	2.50	2.50	.30
Oct. 3, 1922	Amos Green by Charles H. Green	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	3.47	2.50	2.50	3.47
Oct. 3, 1922	Charles H. Green by Charles H. Green	Town Note	100.00	3½	2.56	3.50	2.75	3.31
Mar. 31, 1923	Silas F. Learnard by Martha L. Learnard	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	2.80	2.50	3.00	2.30
May 3, 1923	Samuel S. Warren by Orpha A. Warren	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.75	
Nov. 20, 1923	Mark Sanborn by Heirs	Town Note	50.00	3½	.25	1.75	1.00	7.00
Nov. 30, 1923	Moses Pingree by will	U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	2½	2.90	2.50	2.75	2.65
Dec. 22, 1923	Herbert W. Robie	Town Note	50.00	3½	.70	1.75	1.50	.95
Jan. 31, 1924	Daniel Bell by will	U. S. Savings Bond	50.00	2½	1.50	2.50	3.00	1.00
July 1, 1931	Hannah M. Sawyer by will	Town Note	50.00	3½	.65	1.75	.90	1.50
Oct. 13, 1931	James DeLeskey by Rilla Day	Town Note	75.00	3½	1.71	2.63	2.00	2.34
Jan. 23, 1932	George F. West by Heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank	135.00	2	1.70	3.74	5.00	.44
May 7, 1932	The Mills Family by Heirs of Annie Mills	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2		4.02	4.00	.02
Aug. 3, 1932	C. F. Marston by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.50	.51
May 2, 1933	Buzzell A. Follansbee by Herman Follansbee	Amoskeag Savings Bank	60.00	2		1.50	1.25	.25
Aug. 1, 1933	Carlos Noyes by will	Manchester Savings Bank	75.00	2½		1.88	1.25	.63
Jan. 11, 1933	A. H. Wilcomb by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	224.00	2	2.90	4.55	7.75	21.70
		Mortgage D. A. Hamilton	220.00	5		22.00		

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CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS								
Oct. 9, 1933	Josie Gerah by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.00	1.01
Jan. 19, 1934	John F. & Jennie E. Green, Heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	2		3.01	2.75	.26
July 9, 1934	Lucy Lawrence by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.00	1.01
July 8, 1935	Ellen A. Coates by same	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2		4.02	2.58	1.44
Nov. 5, 1935	Joseph Webster by Heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.25	2.01	2.00	.24
May 26, 1936	W. F. Warren by Frank Warren	Town Note	50.00	3½		1.75	1.50	.25
Feb. 23, 1937	Valeria A. Towle by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01
May 20, 1937	Mabel J. Brickett by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	1.24	2.03	2.50	.77
May 8, 1937	Charles E. Cook by same	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01
Aug. 14, 1937	Moses Webster, Heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.54	2.01	1.50	1.05
Aug. 19, 1937	The Melvin Fund by John Tracy Melvin	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01
Oct. 23, 1937	Fred B. and Alice E. Boyles by Abbott W. Boyles	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	2	.24	3.01	3.00	.23
June 28, 1938	Thomas J. Melvin by Helen E. Melvin by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.01	
Dec. 8, 1938	James Marden by daughter	Amoskeag Savings Bank	40.00	2		.80	.75	.05
Mar. 1, 1939	Chester Noyes Greenough by Ruth H. Greenough	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.25	.76

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

May 29, 1939	E. G. Buffum by Lilla J. Morton	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.77	2.01	2.00	.78
Aug. 11, 1939	Frances L. Hazelton Estate of F. L. by O. L. Hazelton	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2		4.02	4.02	
Nov. 25, 1939	Susie Smith	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.01	
May 21, 1940	Magdalena Robbs	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2	1.64	4.04	4.50	1.18
Oct. 31, 1940	John H. Robie by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	2		3.01	3.00	.01
Dec. 27, 1940	George Mackintosh by Heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01
July 22, 1941	Lewis Kimball by Annie L. Little	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	1.43	2.03	2.00	1.46
June 6, 1941	Eva Underhill	Amoskeag Savings Bank	75.00	2		1.50	1.50	
Nov. 8, 1941	Sanborn & Morse by Heirs of Mary A. Sanborn & Leroy D. Morse	Amoskeag Savings Bank	120.00	2		2.41	2.41	
Nov. 29, 1941	Mary A. Owen by Mary Owen	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.29	2.01	2.25	.05
Dec. 8, 1941	Edward T. Morse, Lois C. Morse by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	2.00	.01
Oct. 7, 1942	Mary J. Maple by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.77	2.01	2.78	
May 4, 1942	William Greenough by Arthur Greenough	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.31	2.01	2.00	.32
May 15, 1942	Arthur E. Leighton by same	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.16	2.01	2.00	.17
Feb. 23, 1942	William P. Nichols by children	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.50	.51
July 27, 1942	Justine P. Creamer by Ina Creamer	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2		2.01	1.90	.11
Aug. 22, 1942	Isabelle C. Clark by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2		4.02	4.00	.02
June 18, 1943	Lida E. Crawford by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	300.00	2	3.94	6.09	2.25	7.78
Dec. 13, 1943	Amos T. French, by will	U. S. Bonds	5,000.00	2	372.05	132.96	84.80	420.21
Feb. 15, 1943	Minnie D. French by will	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2 & 2½		1.00	.75	.25

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July 16, 1945	Addie F. Watkins by will --	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00 2	.83	.83		.83
Dec. 7, 1945	Ann M. Wakefield by Maud B. Goodrich	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00 2				
	Post War Appropriation Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	715.00				
			1,200.00 2½		16.48		16.48
Feb. 10, 1910	LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS						
Jan. 2, 1931	George W. Stevens by will	Town Note	339.80 3½		11.89	11.89	
	John C. Chase by John C. Chase	Holliston Water Co.,	500.00 5½		58.65	58.65	
			& 2½				
1915	The Wilcomb Home Fund by Mary J. Wilcomb	Amoskeag Savings Bank	3,466.98				
		Manchester Savings Bank	919.04				
		U. S. Savings Bond	1,000.00				
1927	Lydia A. Newell Home Fund by Lydia A. Newell	Amoskeag Savings Bank	4,620.67				
		Manchester Savings Bank	4,286.62				
			4,389.32				

Jan. 30, 1945 Paid Trustees of Wilcomb-Townsend Home Jan. 30, 1945 Paid Trustees of Wilcomb-Townsend Home
130.48 income for (1944). 311.92 income for (1944).

Jan. 20, 1946 Paid 117.92 income for (1945). Jan. 20, 1945 Paid 289.92 for (1945).

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Trustees of Trust Funds and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.
Geo. W. Kimball, Herbert Ray, Alvah G. Healey.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CHESTER

MODERATOR

*Leroy D. Morse

CLERK

Mildred C. Hunt

TREASURER

Carrie A. Richardson

SCHOOL BOARD

George W. Kimball

Mabel R. Finnigan

Ella A. Allen

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Everton H. Parkinson

Residence, Derry, N. H.

Tel. - Office 195

SCHOOL NURSE

Lillian S. Mackintosh

Residence, Chester, N. H.

Tel. - Chester 12-2

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Edward E. Griffin

AUDITOR

Byron D. Mills

* Deceased.

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

School	Name	P. O. Address
Village Primary	True, Avis H.	Chester, N. H.
Village Intermediate	McCully, Doris F.	Chester, N. H.
Village Grammar	Sargent, Dorothy	Danville, N. H.
Towle	Hart, Hazel	Chester, N. H.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 1945 to June 1946

1945

First Period:

Opens Wednesday, Sept. 5, Closes Wednesday, Nov. 21

Second Period:

Opens Monday, Nov. 26 Closes Thursday, Dec. 20
1946

Third Period:

Opens Wednesday, Jan. 2 Closes Thursday, Feb. 21

Fourth Period:

Opens Monday, March 4 Closes Friday, April 19

Fifth Period:

Opens Monday, April 29 Closes at end of 180
teaching days.

September 1946 to June 1947

1946

First Period:

Opens Wednesday, Sept. 4, Closes Wednesday, Nov. 27

Second Period:

Opens Monday, Dec. 2 Closes Friday, Dec. 20
1947

Third Period:

Opens Thursday, Jan. 2 Closes Friday, Feb. 21

Fourth Period:

Opens Monday, March 3 Closes Friday, April 18

Fifth Period:

Opens Monday, April 28 Closes at end of 180
teaching days.

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Chester, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stevens Memorial Hall in said district on the 12th day of March, 1946 at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and truant officer and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to install modern toilet facilities in the primary and grammar schools.

10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to provide an adequate water supply for these facilities.

11. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) to acquire a strip of land from the trustees of Wilcomb Townsend home as part of a site for a future school building.

12. To see if the district will authorize the special committee to negotiate with the J. O. U. A. M. and the W. R. C. as to the arrangements that could be made relative to the acquisition of or exchange of property.

13. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chester this 25th day of February, 1946.

George W. Kimball
Mabel R. Finnigan
Ella A. Allen

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

George W. Kimball
Mabel R. Finnigan
Ella A. Allen

School Board

BUDGET

Item	Appro. for 1945-46	Proposed for 1946-47
Payments		
Support of Schools		
Teachers' salaries	4,745.44	5,500.00
Text books	127.68	130.00
Scholars' supplies	167.04	170.00
Flags	5.00	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	20.00	20.00
Janitor service	225.00	350.00
Fuel	300.00	400.00
Water, light and janitor supplies	75.00	75.00
Minor repairs	150.00	100.00
Medical inspection	174.28	171.54
Transportation	1,616.00	1,600.00
Tuition	3,780.00	4,600.00
Insurance	142.50	26.70
Other Statutory Obligations:		
Salaries of district officers	186.00	179.00
Superintendent excess salary	152.63	152.63
Truant officer and census	15.00	15.00
Expenses of administration	60.00	80.00
Per capita tax	262.00	286.00
Teacher retirement		49.00
Total expenses	12,203.57	13,909.87
Income:		
Balance on hand June 30	1,500.00	
State aid	1,900.08	2,077.23
Dog tax	100.00	200.00
Trust funds	132.00	132.00
Total estimated income	3,632.08	2,409.23

Total estimated payments	12,203.57	13,909.87
Total estimated income	3,632.08	2,409.23
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Tax levy	8,571.49	11,500.64

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945

INCOME

Cash on hand July 1, 1944	991.99	
Tax levy	9,202.83	
State aid	1,900.08	
Dog tax	226.46	
Trust funds	132.52	
Sale of property	1.50	
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Total income		12,455.38

PAYMENTS

Support of Schools:

Teachers' salaries	4,731.75
Text books	124.96
Scholars' supplies	131.93
Other expenses of instruction	1.80
Janitor service	226.00
Fuel	380.50
Water, light and janitor supplies	53.54
Minor repairs	210.29
Medical inspection	174.30
Transportation	1,637.70
Tuition—high school	3,003.44
Insurance	122.50
New equipment	26.62
Lands and new buildings	.75
Other Statutory Obligations:	
Salaries of district officers	179.00

Superintendent's excess salary	152.03
Truant officers and census	10.00
Expenses of administration	136.34
Per capita tax	282.00
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Total payments	11,585.45
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Cash on hand June 30	869.93

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Chester of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

B. D. Mills

Auditor.

July 13, 1945.

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945

Cash on hand June 30, 1944	991.99
Received from Selectmen,	
Appropriation	9,202.83
Received from Selectmen,	
dog tax	226.46
Received from State Treasurer,	
state aid	1,900.08
Received from trust funds	132.52
Received from other sources	1.50
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Total amount available for fiscal	
year	12,455.38
Less School board orders paid	11,585.45
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Balance on hand June 30, 1945	869.93

This is to certify that I have examined the books vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Chester, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945 and find them correct in all respects.

B. D. Mills

Auditor.

July 13, 1946.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Everton H. Parkinson
Superintendent of Schools
Derry, N. H.

I submit the following report for the schools of Chester, from September 1944 to June 1945:

		Correc- tions
Number of pupils examined	103	
Number of pupils with defective vision	5	3
Number of pupils with defective teeth	31	31
Number of pupils with defective tonsils	4	
Number of pupils attending dental clinic	18	
Number of cleanings	13	
Number of permanent teeth extracted	1	
Number of permanent teeth filled	8	
Number of temporary teeth extracted	19	
Number of cases of communicable diseases		
chicken pox	10	

Number of home visits	49
Number of school visits	104

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian S. Mackintosh

School Nurse

Jan. 31, 1946

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Chester School Board:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as superintendent of schools of Chester.

Statistical Reports

Enrollment

The total enrollment for grades one through eight for the period ending January 15, 1946 was 108, as compared to 95 for the same period last year and 106 two years ago.

The membership by school and grade for January 15, 1946 follows:

School	Grade								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Primary	8	11	8	10	8				45
Grammar						7	14	9	30
Towle	4	2	3	3	2	3	2	4	23
Total	12	13	11	13	10	10	16	13	98

The number of Chester pupils who were in attendance at high school on January 15, 1946 may be seen from the following:

School	Grades				Total
	9	10	11	12	
Pinkerton Academy	4	4	6	2	16
Raymond High	3	3	7	1	14
Totals	7	7	13	3	30

Statistics for the School Year Ending June 30, 1945.

Total registration	113
Half days schools were in session	351.5
Average membership	95.615
Average attendance	90.187
Per cent of attendance	95.752
Pupils not absent nor tardy	5
Cases of tardiness	83
Non-resident pupils	0
Pupils transported at district expense	25
Number of pupils promoted	91
Number of pupils not promoted	11
Per cent not promoted	10

ATTENDANCE HONOR ROLL

The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy for the school year September 1944 to June 1945.

VILLAGE

TOWLE

Grade 4

Grade 5

Betty Robertson

Priscilla Wasen

Grade 5

Grade 7

Agnes Gates

Earl Langille

Grade 7

Marion Tucker

Census Returns, September 30, 1945

Number of resident children	
5 to 16 in local schools	107
Number 5 to 16 in Pinkerton Academy	5
Number 5 to 16 in high schools outside district	8
Number 5 to 16 in elementary schools outside district	1
Total number 5 to 16 in some school	121
Number 5 to 8 not in school	9
Number 8 to 14 not in school	0

Number 14 to 16 not in school	0
Total number of children 5 to 16 not in some school	9
Total number of resident children September 30, 1945	130
Total number of resident children September 30, 1944	118

On Wednesday evening, June 13, 1945 graduation exercises were held in the Stevens Memorial Hall for eight pupils who had completed the prescribed elementary program of studies. Appropriate exercises preceded the awarding of certificates to the following:

Arlene Davis	George Noyes
Maurice MacDonald	Ralph Lewis
David Gates	Priscilla Rand
Clifford Hicks	David Swain

The district retained the services of three of the regular teachers of the previous year. Mrs. Avis True, Mrs. Doris McCully and Mrs. Hazel Hart returned to the Primary, Intermediate and Towle Schools respectively. In a period when teacher turn over in small towns mounted upward to 100% in many cases the district was fortunate to retain the services of as many teachers from the preceeding year. The pupils can and do progress better scholastically when they are under the tutelage of the same teacher for several years. The school year opened with Mrs. Winona Scruton as a substitute in grades 6-7-8. This continued until October 8th, when Mrs. Dorothy Sargent, a teacher of several years successful experience, was engaged. From that date the instruction of the Chester children was in the hands of successful teachers of experience. Mrs. Frances G. Kelley was secured as music supervisor somewhat later and the staff for your schools was again

complete. Mrs. Kelley had several years experience with choral groups both junior and adult although it was not in public school work. In light of the experience of other districts in the state I feel that your good fortune in the staff of teachers is immeasurable.

The usual cleaning of the schools was completed during the summer. There were installed at the Primary, Intermediate and Towle Schools additional blackboards of a newer type. These replaced some older boards which were no longer usable. They were appreciated by both pupils and teachers for the legibility of written work was increased a good deal.

The usual program of testing was completed. The standardized tests results were encouraging. The one basic tool subject, reading, was above the established grade norm. The policy of introducing a basic reading system and continuing to augment it grade by grade until the entire school system is using it is producing results. Spelling needs some additional work. This situation has existed for several years past. It is somewhat of a puzzle to find reading improvement without a concomitant gain in spelling.

Now that reading texts are in good supply in the schools the next field to attack throughout the grades is spelling. Several spelling series are at hand and they are being studied with the thought of adopting that series which promises to meet the problem best. The arithmetic books are now in every grade so that the pupils have modern arithmetics as well as readers.

The situation of last year was somewhat aggravated as concerns deliveries. Text books and text book supplies which ordinarily are delivered within a month of ordering were in some cases delivered eight months after the order was placed. Fortunately the delays came in materials which are not used until January or February so that although there was some inconvenience it was not great.

School supplies were received in sufficient quantity so that no delay was experienced here. The quality was the same as last year which is slightly inferior to that of pre war days. The present trend of price levels seemingly indicates a price increase. With that in mind general supplies have been ordered with a July billing date to take advantage of current prices.

Budget

The budget for 1946-47 shows an estimated increase of \$1,706.30. Two budgetary items are responsible for \$1,624.56. The larger of these two increases is found in high school tuition. The district's liability is based on the average cost of high school instruction throughout the state. The average cost has increased \$33.60 since 1940-41. The figures for each of the past five years are

1940-41	\$80.99
1941-42	89.79
1942-43	100.78
1943-44	107.46
1944-45	114.59

The average increase each year since 40-41 has been \$8.40 and the past two years \$7.905. In estimating the legal liability of the district for 1946-47 it seemed advisable to plan for \$120 in face of the above figures. The other variable which determines the estimate is the number of pupils who enroll in high school. The anticipated enrollment is 38. This allows for graduation of the present seniors and assumes that the present 8th grade will enter high school. This is a legal obligation and the district is required to meet it. The other item where a major increase occurs is in teacher salaries. The amount of increase is \$754.56. The superintendents through a committee made a survey of teacher salaries throughout the state. The salaries

paid Chester teachers were less than most communities were paying teachers of experience. In fact in many cases districts were paying more for beginning teachers than the district was paying experienced teachers. In light of the facts revealed it was deemed advisable to make provision for increases sufficiently large to place your teachers on a par with others. To retain experienced teachers or to obtain capable replacements will require the estimated amount. The balance of the increase \$131.74 is accounted for primarily by two items, retirement and janitor's salaries. These two account for \$124 of the total. Retirement is a new statutory obligation. As a result of legislation of the last session of the General Court the district as well as the state and teacher now becomes a contributor to the retirement funds of the Teachers' Retirement system. The janitor's salary is increased because the district found it necessary to increase salaries or lose the services of the janitor. The increases mentioned above account for practically all of the increase.

The increase in tax levy is \$2,929.15. The increase is made up of increased budgetary expense and decreased assets.

The budget for 1945-46 showed an estimated asset of \$1,500 cash on hand at the end of the fiscal year. This year the expenditures will as last year's estimates indicated use this unexpended balance. Increased state aid helps somewhat but the estimated income is decreased \$1,222.85. Increased estimated expenses of \$1,706.30 together with the decreased assets are responsible for the increased levy.

The special articles in the budget are presented for consideration of the district as a result of the special meeting of Feb. 14.

Conclusion

The schools are operating at a high level. That they are is in a large measure due to your staff of teachers. The experience and training of your present staff are factors which are responsible in large measure for this. The other prime factor is the attitude of all who are concerned with the welfare of the schools. Parents, pupils, and the citizenry of the town are cooperative in all things that affect your schools. Teachers and school board devote much time and thought to meeting the problem of your children's education. It has been a pleasure to work with these groups to try to cope with the many and varied problems confronting education in rural communities in the present situation.

Respectfully submitted,

Everton H. Parkinson

Superintendent of Schools.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Registered in the

TOWN OF CHESTER

For the Year Ending

December 31, 1945

Births Registered in the Town of Chester, N. H. for Year Ending December 31, 1945.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Male or Female	Name of Father			Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
				L/V or Stillb.	No. of Child	Color			
1945 Jan. 9	Haverhill, Mass.	Barrie W. Leighton	m	1	1	w	Walton E. Leighton ..	Chester, N. H.	Groveland, Mass.
Mar. 17	Manchester	Arline S. Allen ...	f	1	3	w	Volney C. Allen	Chester, N. H.	Chester, N. H.
Apr. 21	E. Derry ...	Stephen W. Colman	m	1	4	w	Maurice G. Colman ..	Auburn, N. H.	Chester, N. H.
July 10	E. Derry ...	Theodore R. Snyder	m	1	2	w	George S. Snyder	Fairport Harbor, Ohio	Columbus, Ohio
July 21	E. Derry ...	Roger C. Cole	m	1	7	w	George W. Cole	Laconia, N. H.	Durham, Me.

I hereby certify that the above return is cor rect, according to the best of my knowledge
and belief.
R. C. Hazelton, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Chester, N. H. for Year Ending December 31, 1945.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age of each		Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents	Condition	Name, Residence, Official Station of Person by whom Married.
				Male	Female					
1945										
May 30	Derry	Edward E. Griffin	Chester	60 w	Chauffeur	Gloucester, Mass.	Edward E. Griffin	Bertha Hayden	2 Howard T. Joslyn	Minister Derry
June 16	Dover	Edith F. Hills	Chester	64 w	Hwf.	Plymouth, Mass.	Benjamin F. King	Mary Vickery	2 Derry	
		Ernest K. Beairisto	Chester	26 w	Guard	P. E. Island	George K. Beairisto	Mildred P. Beairisto	1 J. Lester Hankins	Minister Dover
		Evelyn E. M. Cady	Dover	21 w	War worker	Dover	Melvin Marshall	Sophia Smith	2 Dover	
June 17	Raymond	George W. Purinton	Chester	21 w	U. S. Navy	Chester	Roy W. Purinton	Guy B. Brown	1 Ralph H. Sanborn	Justice of Peace Raymond
		Beatrice Brown	Raymond	23 w	Clerk	Raymond	Erta F. Lewis	Vivian H. Fraser	1 Raymond	
Aug. 4	Pembroke	Clarence H. McCully	Chester	48 w	Ward attend.	Everett, Mass.	Bertha Robinson	Perl P. McCully	1 Ernest A. Shepherd	Clergyman Concord
		Doris M. Fowler	Chester	27 w	School Teacher	Concord	Martha H. Fowler	Edith G. Cleveland	1 Concord	
Oct. 6	Chester	Joseph P. H. Wagenback	Lawrence, Mass.	41 w	Manager	Lawrence, Mass.	Jason Wagenback	Ellen Hayes	2 Edward E. Griffin	Justice of Peace Chester
		J. Carole Gala	Chelsea, Mass.	28 w	Hostess	Chelsea, Mass.	Charles Gala	Constance Agasto	1 Chester	
Dec. 1	Derry	Alfred J. Coco	Manchester	20 w	Farmer	Manchester	Salvadore Coco	Camela Massimina	1 Howard T. Joslyn	Minister Derry
		Louise A. Hills	Chester	20 w	Clerk	Chester	Harold W. Hills	Pauline Fiske	1 Derry	
Dec. 18	Derry	Arthur W. Laundry	Derry	26 w	Truck driver	Gerrish Chester	George Laundry	Roseetta Mitchell	1 Howard T. Joslyn	Minister Derry
		Margaret L. Hills	Chester	17 w	Clerk	Chester	Roseetta Mitchell	Pauline C. Fiske	1 Derry	

Deaths Registered in the Town of Chester, N. H. for Year Ending December 31, 1945.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1945						
May 31	Chester	Sidney W. Chinn	79	Dorsetshire, Eng.	Edward Chinn	Harriet Mullen
June 6	Manchester	Robert C. West		Manchester	Arthur B. West	Florence G. Wetherbee
June 26	E. Derry	Charles A. Nichols	89	Bradford, Mass.	Andrew S. Nichols	Elizabeth Kimball
July 15	Chester	Rev. Silas N. Adams	90	Castine, Maine	Samuel Adams, Jr.	Mary R. Martin
Aug. 3	Chester	Abigail P. Hazelton	81	Chester	John A. Hazelton	Louisa J. Chase
Aug. 17	Chester	Harrietta T. Aldrich	69	Dalton	Bert A. Taylor	Harietta
Oct. 7	Chester	Bertha L. Beckford	77	Melrose, Mass.	William Hemmingway	Mary Ann Ireson
Nov. 5	Haverhill, Mass.	Vera B. Spollett	46	Goffstown	William Marshall	Lovina Watson
Nov. 19	Derry	Mary B. Noyes	87	Chester	John W. Noyes	Harriette S. Bouton
Nov. 21	Chester	Frank H. Simonds	81	Augusta, Maine	Aaron A. Simonds	Nellie Gray

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